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SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF W-2 60-DAY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

CROSS REFERENCE: W-2 Manual

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 29, 1999.
This change and its effective date are mandated by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9 (the "Budget Bill").

PURPOSE

This memo conveys a policy change regarding W-2 eligibility requirements related to durational residency

BACKGROUND

W-2 applicants are no longer required to meet a 60-day residency requirement to be eligible for W-2. Applicants must continue to verify that they are currently residents of Wisconsin. That is, although the person must still be a Wisconsin resident, the residency policy no longer requires the residency to have lasted for any period of time; residency may be immediate and does not require it to have existed for any duration of time.

This change in policy will be included in the next W-2 Manual Release.

IMPLEMENTATION

Applicants who have been denied for W-2 services in the past 60 days because they did not meet the 60-day residency requirement, may be eligible immediately if all other eligibility requirements are met. Workers should not backdate eligibility for W-2 services for these individuals.

A report will be sent out to agencies shortly that will identify cases that may have been impacted by this change in policy. **Workers must contact these individuals immediately and schedule a meeting to review their cases to determine if eligibility for a W-2 placement exists.**

CARES

CARES changes will be implemented immediately. Those change will protect (prevent further input and update) the questions associated with the 60-day residency requirement. These questions appear on CARES screen ACCH (Case Household Information). Please watch for a DXBM for verification of when this change is in place.

In addition, a batch update will be performed that will:

1. Remove all "Residency Requirement Met" dates which were created based on a "Date Moved To WI" date of October 29, 1999 or later.

Since there is no longer a 60 day residency requirement, this field should now be blank.

Example: John Doe moved to Wisconsin on October 29, 1999 and applied for benefits. During intake, the information was entered on ACCH and a "Residency Requirement Met" date was calculated by CARES to be December 27, 1999.

This batch process will remove this calculated date because it was after the effective date of the 60-day residency requirement policy change.

2. Reset all "Residency Requirement Met" dates which extended beyond the effective date of the policy change. These will be reset to October 29, 1999 since the 60 day residency requirement ended that date.

Example: Jane Smith Moved to Wisconsin on October 1, 1999 and applied for benefits. During intake, the information was entered on ACCH and a "Residency Requirement Met" date was calculated by CARES to be November 29, 1999.

This batch process will reset the calculated date to be October 29, 1999 because, although prior to that date the 60-day residency requirement was still in effect, October 29, 1999 is the effective date of the 60-day residency requirement policy change.